

# Adams Express Company

Pennsylvania Division.  
Central Express.  
New Jersey Express Company.

F. Lovejoy  
Superintendent.

Superintendent's Office,

622 Chestnut Street,

Philadelphia, 9<sup>th</sup> May 1879.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. regarding the payments, in currency, made to this Company for the transportation of gold and silver during the period from December 1861 to June 1873 inclusive.

In 1861, when our first bill was presented, the officers of the Mint declined to pay for the transportation of gold in kind as was provided for in the then existing contract, and proffered us greenbacks in lieu of gold which offer was rejected by the Superintendent of this Company; and Mr. Thompson — who had charge of our Mint accounts — was directed to advise the Mint officials of our disinclination to accept the

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Very respectfully,

F. Gorejoy,

Supt.

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A. Gordon Snowden, Esq.

Superintendent,

U. S. Mint at Pha.

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Philadelphia.

May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1879.

F. Lovejoy, Sup<sup>t</sup>

Adams Express Co.

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States that payment of currency for transportation of bullion was made for bills from Dec. 1861 to June 1873 inclusive, & was accepted only under protest.

Encloses a letter from George C. Thompson, Express Agt at the Mint confirming the statement.

Recd May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1879.

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